

Supervisor Romaine Oversees Demolition of Burned Out “Zombie House” in Gordon Heights

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Farmingville, NY – On June 2, Supervisor Ed Romaine was on-hand for the demolition of a “zombie house” located at 335 Mill Road in Gordon Heights. The house, which sustained fire damage nearly 10 years ago, was the source of resident complaints leading to numerous Town of Brookhaven housing code violations dating back to 2001 for an illegal apartment. The property will be cleared of debris and graded by the Town. The house was demolished by the Town in accordance with Chapter 73 of the Town Code which provides a “fast track” to rid neighborhoods of unsafe structures. The cost of demolition and debris removal is the responsibility of the property owner, and the Town places a lien on the property that is then placed on the tax bill. The County reimburses the Town and

then they collect the money from the property owner.

Supervisor Romaine said, “A house like this one lowers the property values of nearby homes and has a detrimental impact on everyone in the neighborhood. I commend our Law and Building Departments for their efforts to remove this eyesore and their efforts to clean up neighborhoods throughout Town of Brookhaven.”

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